

조직학적으로 확인된 Carbon Cage내의 골형성

- 증례 보고 -

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= Abstract =

Histologically Confirmed Bone Formation in the Carbon Fiber Cage Implant - Case Report -

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The authors report the first case of histologically confirmed bone formation in the carbon fiber cage implant which used in posterior lumbar interbody fusion. A case of degenerative lumbar disc disease was treated by posterior lumbar interbody fusion with carbon fiber cage implant and local bone from posterior decompression. One year after the operation the cage was migrated into the spinal canal and compressed dural sac and nerve root. The cage was removed and investigated by light microscope. The histologic examination revealed viable bony trabeculae in the cage. This finding suggest autogenous bone in the cage has a biologic bone - growth function after interbody fusion.

KEY WORDS : Carbon cage · Posterior interbody fusion · Bone growth function.

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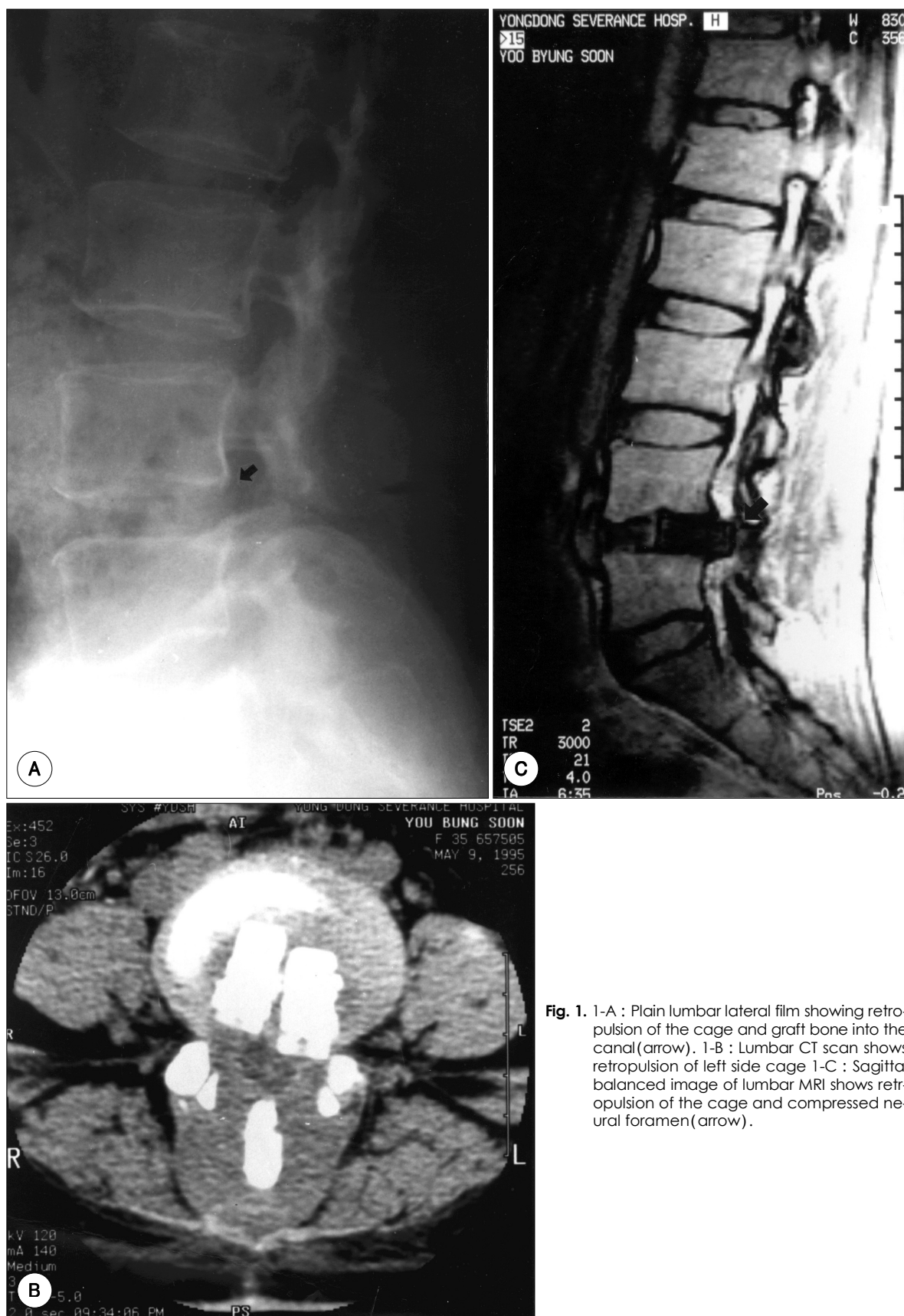


Fig. 1. 1-A : Plain lumbar lateral film showing retro-pulsion of the cage and graft bone into the canal (arrow). 1-B : Lumbar CT scan shows retro-pulsion of left side cage 1-C : Sagittal balanced image of lumbar MRI shows retro-pulsion of the cage and compressed neural foramen (arrow).

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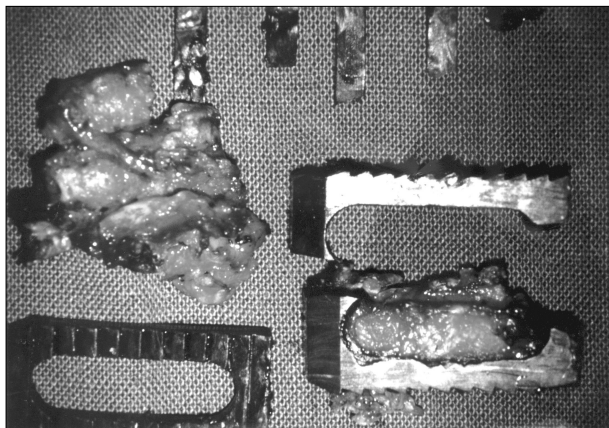


Fig. 2. Gross appearance of the removed cage and grafted bone.

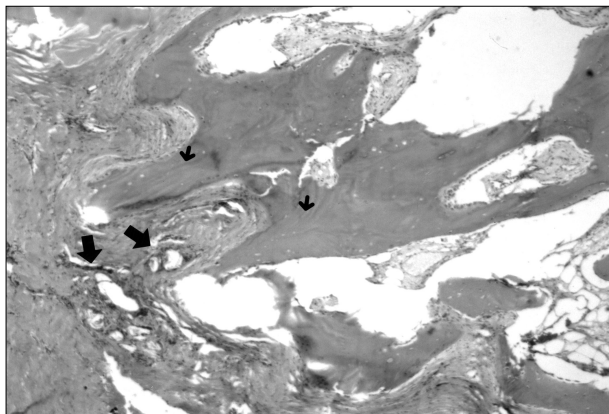


Fig. 3. Microscopic findings of the removed bone demonstrating the viable bony trabeculae (small arrows) and the periosteal foreign body reactions (large arrows) (H & E $\times 100$).

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